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In re Application of: Susan Chubinskaya et al.

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Related to Modulators of Annexin
and Cartilage Homeostasis

Unit: 1644

Examiner: Mitchell, Gregory W.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

Sir.

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 14, 2004 (Paper No./Mail Date 20041210) for which a 1 month shortened statutory period to respond was set. Accordingly, Applicant hereby requests a 5-month extension of time to extend the response period up to and including June 14, 2005. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 07-1392.

REMARKS

Claims 1-28 are pending in this application.

The Examiner has requested election of a single disclosed species. In response to such request for species election Applicants wish to proceed as follows.

Applicants elect, as a single disclosed species, structure V, claims 1-7, 9-14, 17 and 28 readable thereon.

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